ETHICS AND CAMPAIGN DISCLOSURE BOARD, IOWA[351]

Adopted and Filed

Pursuant to the authority of Iowa Code section 68B.32A, the Iowa Ethics and Campaign Disclosure Board hereby amends Chapter 4, "Campaign Disclosure Procedures," Iowa Administrative Code.

Iowa Code section 68A.201(2) prohibits a committee from duplicating the name of another committee organized under the campaign laws. The amendment removes the word "substantially" from the current rule to bring the rule into conformity with the statute. The amendment also addresses those instances in which a committee wants to use the name of a committee that was previously organized but has now been certified as dissolved.

Notice of Intended Action was published in the Iowa Administrative Bulletin on December 3, 2008, as **ARC 7377B**. No oral or written comments on the amendment were received. The amendment is identical to that published under Notice.

The Board adopted this amendment on February 25, 2009.

This amendment is intended to implement Iowa Code section 68A.201(2).

This amendment will become effective on April 29, 2009.

The following amendment is adopted.

Amend subrule 4.2(2) as follows:

4.2(2) Duplication of name prohibited. The committee name shall not substantially duplicate the name of another committee organized under Iowa Code Supplement chapter 68A. The board shall determine whether two committee names are in substantial duplication in violation of Iowa Code Supplement section 68A.201(2) "a." A committee substantially duplicating the name of another organized committee shall choose a new committee name upon notification from the board. A candidate who files an amended statement of organization to reflect a change in office sought shall not be required to change the name of the candidate's committee unless the committee's name substantially duplicates the name of another organized committee. A committee shall not duplicate the name of a dissolved committee for a period of ten years after the dissolved committee is certified as being dissolved except when the candidate for both committees is the same individual.

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